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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Ali Jalali, Pierre Leray, and
Dominique Lacroix

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Examiner: Not Assigned

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Fourier Transform*

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF A DEFECTIVE OATH OR DECLARATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: Ms. Karen Williams

Dear Ms. Williams:

This is in response to the *Notification of a Defective Oath or Declaration* dated January 12, 2001 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

Our foreign associate, Cabinet Ballot-Schmit in Toulon, France, has informed us that they are unable to obtain the signature of the first-named inventor, Ali Jalali, on the Declaration.

A registered letter enclosing a Declaration and an Assignment (copies attached) was sent to Mr. Jalai on September 28, 2000, but no response was received from Mr. Jalai.

Another registered letter enclosing the Declaration and Assignment documents (copies

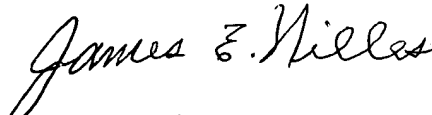
attached) was sent to Mr. Jalali on February 1, 2001.

The undersigned received a fax letter from Mr. Bertrand Hays of the Cabinet Ballot-Schmit firm on February 9, 2001 in which Mr. Hays advised the undersigned that they contacted the assignee, France Telecom S.A., who informed the French associate that they have had no further word from the inventor and that their letters of September 28, 2000 and February 1, 2001 remained unanswered.

It is respectfully requested that the Declaration filed on August 28, 2000 is accepted and an Office Action be issued in this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 14-1080.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated: February 12, 2001

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